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Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EMBEDDING ENCRYPTED
IMAGES OF SIGNATURES AND OTHER DATA ON CHECKS

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Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

1. Application- 28 pages, including 8 independent claims and 21 claims total.
2. Drawings- 11 sheets of drawings (Figures 1-13).
3. The filing fee is calculated as follows:

Basic Application Filing Fee				\$740	\$ 740.00
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Total Claims	29	-	20	9 x \$18	162.00
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This application is being filed under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f).
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Please accord this application an application number and filing date.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due and
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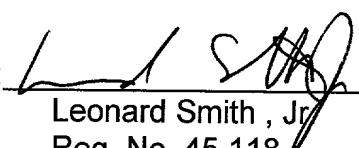
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